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Dear Frank:

Subject:

Position

Prior to the receipt of your 25 January letter we were approached here concerning the same subject.

The slot in question was transferred without strings to [redacted] in 25X1A8a 1952 with the understanding that the [redacted] would perform certain 25X1A6a services for the [redacted] there. Throughout successive incumbencies the service has varied, as you know, and it is our understanding now that little has been requested of the [redacted] since [redacted] arrived. 25X1A6a However, this does not alter the fact that the slot is [redacted] and will 25X1A9a remain so. Therefore, you should guard against any indication to the 25X1A8a [redacted] that we can or will give up the position.

We now understand that the [redacted] requirement for a translator will 25X1A6b be taken care of by transfer of a linguist from Headquarters into a [redacted] slot. We have a tentative promise that [redacted] will attempt 25X1A8a to train for us a Vietnamese translator-editor to replace [redacted] in 25X1A9a March 1960. If this proves to be impossible we may replace [redacted] 25X1A9a with an [redacted] editor.

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Sincerely,

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Acting Chief, [redacted]

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